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In re Patent Application of:
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ACTIVITY AND METHODS OF USE
THEREOF

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action dated November 15, 2007 (“the OA”), Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. A response was initially due February 15, 2008. A petition for an extension of time of three months to March 15, 2008 is attached hereto, along with the required fee. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 25 of this paper.